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POILLON PAIR GUILTY; KATHERINE'S CHARGE DENIED BY BARLOW

Accused of Beating Hotel Bills, Katherine Says Magistrate Borrowed \$25,000 from Her and Agreed to Pay Them.

Peter Townsend Barlow, President of the Board of City Magistrates, was accused to-day by Katherine Poillon, the elder of the sensational Poillon sisters, of borrowing \$25,000 from her and failing to live up to an obligation he had imposed upon himself of paying her hotel bills.

The accusation was made in the Court of Special Sessions, where the Poillons were arraigned on a charge of defrauding various hotels.

Katherine made her charges during the morning session of the court in a most dramatic way. She said she loaned Magistrate Barlow \$25,000 with which to purchase his son a seat on the Stock Exchange and advanced him \$500 to pay the funeral expenses for a child that died in Washington.

The loan, she declared, were never repaid. Pending repayment she said, Magistrate Barlow assumed her hotel bills, and his failure to settle led to the arrest of herself and her sister. The younger woman loudly proclaimed that she could prove her charges by the Magistrate himself.

Accordingly, the case was adjourned until this afternoon. The court room was jammed when Judges Olmsted, Mayo and Zeller took their seats. Katherine Poillon, who had acted as her own lawyer in the morning proceedings, called Magistrate Barlow to the witness stand.

"Do you know me?" she asked. "I do," replied the Magistrate. "How long have you known me?" "About ten years."

"Did you, on or about Oct. 12, 1907, instruct your probation officer, now Detective Lieutenant Leitch, to go out of the city from Oct. 12 to Oct. 20?" "I don't recall."

"Don't you remember—do you recall—didn't you promise me you would pay?" "Couldn't Frame Question."

"Let us have no speaking here," interrupted District-Attorney Jerome, who had charge of the prosecution. "If you have any questions ask them."

Katherine was unable to frame a question to bring out the alleged board bill liability of the Magistrate, and the witness was excused. Then Katherine called her sister Charlotte, who is an amateur pugilist.

"How long have you known Judge Peter Townsend Barlow?" asked Katherine. "About ten years."

"Do you know of any agreement between Judge Barlow and myself?" "I do—he promised to settle your hotel."

"Here, here," interrupted the District-Attorney again. "This won't do. How does she know?"

"Ask her," said Magistrate Zeller, who had taken great delight in the proceedings. "What conversations, if any, she overheard."

Charlotte Heard It, She Says.

Katherine took advantage of the advice and asked the question. Charlotte replied:

"It was about a year or a year and a half ago. I don't know whether it was when we were living at the Grenobles or the Belmont. Katherine said to Judge Barlow: 'I must have back that \$25,000 I loaned you and that \$500 I sent you to Washington, because I am out of money.'"

"Judge Barlow said that times were hard and he could not pay so much in a lump sum. Katherine said she would sue if he didn't get the money. Judge Barlow said he would settle her hotel bills and would send Detective Leigh or Thomas with the money."

"This was all from Charlotte. Magistrate Barlow called to the stand. District-Attorney Jerome asked:

"Did you ever in any way, before others or to her sister, promise to pay this woman's hotel bills in consideration of her long gloves, throwing back the lapels of her fur-trimmed coat, and turning her flashing black eyes upon the Court, cried:

"Can I now make an explanation of the whole terrible mistake?"

The three Justices nodded their assent and waved the young woman to the witness chair. Seating herself gracefully, she said:

"No, sir," shouted Magistrate Barlow.

"We find the defendants guilty," he announced. "They are remanded to the Tombs until Feb. 18 to await investigation of their records by the probation officers."

The penalty for defrauding a hotel keeper is a year in prison or a \$500 fine or both.

After the court proceedings, Magistrate Barlow said he met the Poillon sisters on the day before the Dewey parade. He said he considered the incident closed, and did not contemplate bringing any criminal proceedings, although he knew the young women had perjured themselves.

"Did you borrow any money from Katherine?" he was asked.

"Oh, you don't believe that," he answered. "I don't owe them a cent."

"Did you ever give them any money?" "Yes, on one occasion I sent Katherine some money when she had burned herself."

Inkling of a Sensation.

The Poillon sisters have created many a scene in the Criminal Courts Building, but never anything like that in which they figured to-day. In some way the word had gone around that they were going to spring something with fireworks in it when called to answer to the charge of defrauding hotels, and the Special Sessions court-room was the centre of attraction when their case was announced shortly before noon.

When the sisters entered, Katherine leading and the athletic Charlotte following, both with heads erect and eyes blazing defiance, two deputy sheriffs had to cut a gangway through the jam. Arrived at the bar, Justice Zeller suggested that the sisters engage counsel. They scornfully replied that they did not need one. The name of Attorney Goodheart was suggested.

Hotel Managers in Line.

"I guess not," said Katherine. "I will defend myself. Let the prosecution begin."

Thereupon Assistant District-Attorney Keogh presented the specific charge of the Hotel Bristol that the sisters had neglected to pay a hotel bill of \$36.10. He put the manager of the hotel on the stand, and when he had testified called the managers of the Hotels St. Francis, King Edward, Albany and Grenobles.

Justice testified that the defendants had left their hotels owing bills of from \$25 to \$200.

The kinswomen did not interrupt the testimony of the hotel managers, though they glanced at them now and then with curling lips of scorn. But when young Mr. Keogh announced that he had closed his case Katherine pulled off her long gloves, threw back the lapels of her fur-trimmed coat, and turning her flashing black eyes upon the Court, cried:

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Katherine Poillon then made a motion for the dismissal of the complaint. She said no criminal intent had been shown and she would pay the outstanding hotel bills. The motion was denied, and President Justice Mayo conferred with his colleagues.

V. POWERS LANDS TWO IN A ROW AT NEW ORLEANS

Wins First and Second Races on Exotic and Lotus Brandt.

RACES ARE RUN IN MUD.

Heavy Rain Storm Changes Track Condition and Reduces the Big Fields.

(Special to The Evening World.)

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 14.—The races here to-day were run in heavy going. A heavy rainstorm started early and the mudlarks were in demand. Powers added to his list of winning mounts by taking the first two races on Exotic and Lotus Brandt. The summaries:

FIRST RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

SECOND RACE.—Six furlongs.—Lotus Brandt, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

THIRD RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

FOURTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

FIFTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

SIXTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

SEVENTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

EIGHTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

NINTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

TENTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

ELEVENTH RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twelfth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Thirteenth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Fourteenth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Fifteenth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Sixteenth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Seventeenth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Eighteenth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Nineteenth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twentieth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twenty-first RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twenty-second RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twenty-third RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twenty-fourth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twenty-fifth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twenty-sixth RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

Twenty-seventh RACE.—For two-year-olds, handicap, 106 lbs. Powers, 3 to 5 and out, first; Variety, 100 (Notter), 2 to 5 for place; second, Miss Shack, 100 (Kohn), 15 to 1 to show; third, No scratches.

MUSEUM GETS MILLION IN WILL OF M. K. JESUP

Petition for Probate Fails to Fix Value of the Estate.

RESIDUE FOR WIDOW.

Hundreds of Thousands Bequeathed to Nephews and Nieces.

The will of Morris K. Jesup, who died on Jan. 22 last, was filed for probate with the Surrogate to-day.

The petition states that the real estate is "as much as \$100,000" and the value of the personal estate is "as much as \$1,000,000." But the bequests in the will go a great deal higher than that. One million dollars is left to the Museum of Natural History.

The will made Feb. 18, 1904, has two codicils, and the whole makes a very long document. All transfer taxes on legacies are to be paid out of the residuary estate by direction of the will, and the executors and trustees are relieved from giving bonds. They are Mrs. Jesup, her nephew, Thomas De Witt Cuyler, John E. Parsons and Benjamin Strong.

Charles M. Jesup, a nephew, and his wife, of White Plains, will receive \$100,000 and an interest in a \$300,000 trust fund under the will.

Thomas De Witt Cuyler, of Philadelphia, \$400,000.

Cornelius C. Cuyler, \$100,000 and a share in the fund.

Eleanor De Witt Cuyler, niece of Mrs. Jesup, \$100,000 and a share in the fund.

John E. and William H. Parsons will receive \$200,000 each; Anthony Comstock, Esq., Rev. Dr. William T. Eliot, Dr. Witt Memorial Church, \$50,000; Mrs. Kate H. Lockwood, a cousin Mrs. Nellie Jessell Jones, Mrs. Fannie Louise Patterson and Mrs. Emma C. Sheldon, \$25,000 each; Julia Helm Wilson, my kind nurse, \$25,000; Morris Jessup Pass, \$10,000; Charlotte C. Perry Washington, D. C., \$20,000; Mrs. Mary C. Bille, Norwalk, Conn., \$20,000.

Mr. Jesup remembers every household employee, James Martin, his coachman, receiving \$150, and all those in his employ five years \$50 each, all the rest receiving \$100 apiece.

The residuary estate is left to Mrs. Jesup.

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KINGS COUNTY COURTHOUSE ABLAZE; ALL BROOKLYN CAR TRAFFIC TIED UP

CHIEF KRUGER IS KILLED IN CANAL STREET BLAZE; SIX FIREMEN OVERCOME

At the Head of His Men Croker's Deputy Enters Blazing Building, Plunges Through Trap Door and Drowns.

Deputy Chief Charles Kruger, the best beloved officer of the New York Fire Department, sacrificed his life to-day in a fire which destroyed the buildings at Nos. 215 and 217 Canal street.

The fire was threatening the entire block, the cellars were filled with water, gas mains had melted. The situation seemed desperate, when the grizzled Deputy Chief, smoke and soot-begrimed, stepped up to Chief Croker and said:

"Chief, there's no hope of getting into the basement of No. 217. The only thing to do is to go down into the cellar of No. 215 and cut a hole through the separating walls. I'll pick my men and go."

Croker realized the risk and hesitated. "I won't order any man into that building," he said, "but if you want to go in you can."

In the thirty-six years he served the department Kruger has never known physical fear. He called to the men of Hook and Ladder Company, No. 8, in charge of Lieut. McGrath.

"Follow me, boys," he said, and led the way into the gas and smoke filled basement. He stumbled through a trap and was drowned in a sub-cellar.

A score of Kruger's men fought the gas and smoke until their senses left them in an effort to save their Chief, and six who fell with him were dragged out to the street and revived only after surgeons had worked over them an hour and administered oxygen. The six were all members of Hook and Ladder Company, No. 8. They are:

LIEUT. REUBEN McGRATH, TIMOTHY O'DONOHUE, RICHARD JACOBS, HENRY FISHER, FREDERICK KREISLER, TERENCE McGRATH.

Entire Block in Danger.

For a time the fire threatened the entire block bounded by Canal, Hester, Baxter and Mulberry streets, and hundreds of threatened families were driven into the street by the police.

The building at No. 217 was a five-story structure occupied by Tielcel & Co., manufacturers of mirrors, and the flames, after eating their way through the cellar, spread to the various floors to the roof, spread to the five-story factory building at No. 215. The blaze had gradually been beaten down from the upper floors of No. 217, but in the basement of the building while stored great piles of kindling.

Even after the fire was under control in other parts of the building the excelsior in the basement burned like a furnace. Frequently Chief Croker sent men in to fight this stubborn basement blaze, but the heat and gas beat them back.

Deputy Chief Kruger had charge of the force that was concentrating its efforts upon the basement of the building, and finally he stepped up to Chief Croker and obtained permission to lead his men into the basement.

Leads His Volunteers.

The firemen of Hook and Ladder No. 8, Kruger took with him were Timothy O'Donohue, Richard Jacobs, Henry Fisher, Henry Kreisler and Terence McGrath. Beside these men the Deputy Chief was followed by Andrew Hergenrother, his driver, who had been with him for two decades.

Using the great old-fashioned Broadway fire engine, the men began to dig at half price men's overalls, suits, cravats and boys' suits, also men's trousers. Overcoats and suits, \$5 and upward; trousers, \$1.25 and up. \$33 Broadway opposite City Hall. Sale Saturday.

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Fire, Starting in Roof of Big Structure, Sweeps Through Eulding Before Water Can Be Brought to Bear Upon It.

HEARINGS BY SEVEN JUSTICES ADJOURNED BY HASTY FLIGHT.

Timely Alarm Given by Justice Maddox, in Whose Chambers He and Clerk Narrowly Escaped Being Trapped by Flames Bursting Through Panelling.

A fire that started in the roof of the Kings County Courthouse this afternoon had eaten its way to the ceilings of the top floor and half way the length of the building before the firemen succeeded in reaching it with streams of water. The courthouse was badly damaged by the blaze and floods of water poured from the roof, but so far as is known, no records of value were lost or destroyed.

GIRL WIFE GAVE POODLE AFFECTION, OLD HUSBY SAYS

Took Dog On Lap of \$50 Dress He Bought and Quit On His Protest.

"I am sixty-two years old, and my wife is only twenty; but there are plenty of witnesses. Mrs. Kinella, my son John, the policeman, Rose Kraus and Mrs. Engel—who will tell you she said she'd rather be an old man's darling than a young man's slave. I love her and I want her to come back and live with me," said Gerhard Bunte to Justice O'Gorman on the trial to-day of the suit of Lizzie Kunzler Bunte, for a separation.

The old husband occupies himself with the collection of rents from his big flat houses in the Bowery. His four sons are married. Michael H. Bunte, counsel for the girl wife, "he loves her, but he has never obeyed your order of last April to pay her \$12 a week alimony."

Lizzie Bunte testified that she was employed in Bunte's family. The wife of his youth and mother of his grown-up children was an invalid. She died in June, 1906, and the girl succeeded her Nov. 2 of the same year.

"She left me because I told her she ought not to let her pretty dress jump on her nice new dress—that same red dress she has on now," said the old man sadly. "So she got mad; she said I didn't love her. She put on her things, put the blanket on the poodle dog and went away with the dog."

"She says you were stingy. Is that true?" asked Attorney A. P. Wagoner.

"Why, I spent \$50 for dresses for her the day we were married and \$300 for the day she left me, and I always kept my rents in a cigar box in a closet where she could reach in at any time and take what she wanted," replied Mr. Bunte.

"But is it true that you have not obeyed the order of the Court to pay alimony and that you have transferred your property to your son?" demanded Justice O'Gorman.

"Sure," answered Bunte. "I couldn't afford to pay so much as \$10 a week and give her \$200 for her lawyer."

Decision was reserved. After the session Bunte asked Lizzie in the lobby of the court house:

"Won't you come again and be my little wife?"

But Lizzie turned up her nose in scorn and flounced away. Outside she showed in his hand a formal demand for her share of alimony, a forerunner of arrears of alimony, a forerunner of proceedings to punish him for contempt.

Justice Maddox, of the Supreme Court, with his clerk, Harry Bartis, were at work on legal papers in the chambers of the former, on the third floor of the Livingston street side, when they detected the odor of burning wood. Glancing up they saw smoke sifting through cracks in the ceiling.

Justice Maddox Nearly Caught.